

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) ~~Method A method of~~ video image processing, comprising the steps of:
.....receiving a video signal ~~(5,6)~~ carrying input information representing moving images occupying an area ~~(12)~~ of a display;
and
.....processing the received input information and generating an output video signal ~~(10,11)~~ carrying output information representing moving images occupying the area ~~(12)~~ of display, characterised by, wherein said method further comprises the steps of:
.....re-scaling a section of the moving images represented by the input information occupying a selected section ~~(17,18)~~ of the area ~~(12)~~ of display independently of parts ~~(14)~~ of the moving images occupying the remainder of the area ~~(12)~~ of display;
.....including in the output information as much of the information representing the re-scaled section of the moving images, represented by the input signal, as represents a largest part of the re-scaled section of the moving image that would fit substantially within the selected section of the area of display;
and
.....automatically re-scaling the selected section over a number of consecutive frames in a series of moving image frames by

~~operating directly on information representing the series of moving image frames carried by the input video signal.~~

2. (Cancelled).

3. (Currently Amended) ~~Method according to~~The method as claimed in claim 2, comprising wherein said method further comprises the step of:

~~generating the output information in such a way that the represented largest part is positioned over the selected section (17,18) of the area (12) of display.~~

4. (Currently Amended) ~~Method according to~~The method as claimed in claim 1, comprising analysing wherein said method further comprises the steps of:

~~analyzing the input information for the presence of pre-defined image elements (16); and~~

~~defining the selected section (17) to encompass at least some of the image elements (16) found to be present.~~

5. (Currently Amended) ~~Method according to~~The method as claimed in claim 4, wherein the pre-defined image elements (16) comprise text, e.g. closed caption text.

6. (Currently Amended) ~~Method according to~~ The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the received video signal ~~(6)~~ is a component video signal.

7. (Currently Amended) ~~Video~~ A video image processing system, specially adapted for carrying out ~~a method according to~~ the method as claimed in claim 1.

8. (Currently Amended) ~~Display~~ A display device, e.g. a television set (4), specially adapted for carrying out ~~a~~ the method according to as claimed in claim 1.

9. (Currently Amended) ~~Computer~~ A computer-readable medium embodying a computer program product, comprising ~~means~~ instructions which, when run on a programmable data processing device ~~(2)~~, ~~of enabling~~ enable the programmable data processing device ~~(2)~~ to carry out ~~a~~ the method according to as claimed in claim 1.